Increase in AIDS patients

†368. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to continuously increasing number of patients suffering from AIDS in the country;

(b) if so, the number of patients suffering from AIDS in each State of the country;

(c) the reaction of Government thereto;

(d) whether the number of patients suffering from AIDS increased in the country during last three years; and

(e) the steps being taken by Government to check the increasing number of AIDS patients?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) A statement is attached *(See* below).

(c) to (e) As it is evident from the statement attached, there has been increase in the number of AIDS patients. However, to check this increase, Government has launched a comprehensive AIDS prevention and control programme, which is a 100% centrally sponsored scheme being implemented in all States / UTs through States / UTs AIDS Control Societies. The main components consist of:

Reducing the spread of HIV in groups at high risk by identification of target populations and providing peer counselling, condom promotion, and treatment of sexually transmitted infections.

Preventive intervention for the general population by Information, Education and Communications (IEC) and awareness campaign, provision of voluntary testing and counselling, safe blood transfusion services and prevnetion of occupational exposure.

Providing financial assistance for opportunistic infections, home and community based care.

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Strengthening effectiveness and technical, managerial, financial sustainability at National, State and Municipal levels.

Promoting collaboration amongst public, private and voluntary sectors.

Statement

Annual number of Reported AIDS Cases in India (State-wise) During the last three years (1999-2001)

Sl. No.	State	1999	2000	2001
1.	A&N Island	0	9	8
2.	Andhra Pradesh	2	0	1217
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0
4.	Assam	11	62	30
5.	Bihar	0	36	53
6.	Chandigarh	124	114	189
7.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0	0	0
8.	Daman & Diu	0	0	0
9.	Delhi	0	64	358
10.	Goa	7	10	46
11.	Gujarat	1	245	877
12.	Haryana	0	47	141
13.	Himachal Pradesh	16	15	51
14.	Jammu & Kashmir	0	0	0
15.	Karanataka	47	541	516
16.	Kerala	0	56	105
17.	Lakshadweep	0	0	0
18.	Madhya Pradesh	116	294	139
19.	Maharashtra	64	348	2728
20.	Manipur	61	364	307
21.	Meghalaya	0	0	0

Sl. No.	State	1999	2000	2001
22.	Mizoram	7	3	5
23.	Nagaland	19	51	131
24.	Orissa	0	52	28
25.	Pondicherry	0	0	0
26.	Punjab	52	31	4
27.	Rajasthan	27	106	136
28.	Sikkim	0	0	2
29.	Tamil Nadu	2730	4206	6484
30.	Tripura	0	0	0
31.	Uttar Pradesh	41	93	202
32.	West Bengal	0	0	668
33.	A.bad Munci. Corp.	0	0	189
	TOTAL:	3325	6747	14614

Leakage of medical papers of MD/MS

†369. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of incidents with regard to leakage of question papers of MD/MS during the last year;

(b) the details of persons apprehended in each case alongwith punishment awarded to the guilty persons; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to avoid the recurrence of leakage of question papers in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) and (b) The All India Post Graduate Entrance Examination for admission to MD/MS courses to the 25% open merit seats in medical and dental colleges of the country (except in Jammu & Kashmir and Andhra Pradesh) is conducted by the All India Institute of Medical Sciences

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